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"Truth conquers! The Lie will destroy itself."

Horst Mahler: Open Letter to the Society for the Rehabilitation of those Persecuted for Refutation of the Holocaust (VRBHV

To the attention of Bernhard Schaub and Ursula Haverbeck

"Uprising for the Truth" the current state of affairs

Dear Ursula and Bernhard,

once the ball starts rolling things often develop faster than one had imagined. The first motions for a new trial (the cases of Germar Rudolf and Dr. Hans-Dietrich Sander) were planned for February 2004. A first session with Prof. Dr. Robert Faurisson and Ahmed Rami, the founder of "Radio Islam" took place in Vichy in December 2003. Since Christmas, the preparations have been going ahead full speed. The trial which was begun in February 2004 against the leaders of the Deutsches Kolleg "Uwe Meenen, Reinhold Oberlercher and Horst Mahler (MOM)" for incitement of the people, before the 22nd Grand Division of the District Court Berlin, is proving to be the ideal prelude thanks to the outstanding co-operation of the public prosecutor Krüger. This lawyer has taken my statements in this trial as reason for initiating numerous preliminary proceedings for "denial of the Holocaust". If he continues in this dashing manner, a corresponding charge will soon be brought against me. If this is followed by a trial, we will have achieved what we strove for with the foundation of this society: there will be a trial against a "contemporary figure known world-wide" due to "denial of the Holocaust".

For the first time in history we have the opportunity to reopen the "Auschwitz Trial" and to make the evidence refuting official historiography, which was collected after the Nuremberg Military Tribunal and Frankfurt Auschwitz Trial, "notorious to the courts" [judicial notice] with a world-wide echo. Under the leadership of Prof. Dr. Robert Faurisson, the international community of scientists counted as Revisionists is ready for action. A determination, which has so far not been felt before, is making itself noticeable: On 5 December 2003, Faurisson wrote to me: Mark my last words: "Zusammen ins Gefängnis" (Let's go to prison together) Ahmed Rami has promised an intensive coverage for the Islamic countries.

When we founded the society, we considered the possibility that the motions for a new trial would be disregarded as inadmissible, and that a new trial would therefore not take place, as very likely indeed. This fear is now unfounded. Rather, the chances are that a public trial will take place. The attempt of Herr Krüger to disable me from participating in the coming "Great Auschwitz Trial" by anticipatorily banning me from my profession with immediate effect, will fail since I can, of course, defend myself in case I am accused, even if I should be banned from my profession.

Alea iacta est. I am glad that fate has chosen me to execute this blow against our enemies. "Truth conquers! The Lie will destroy itself."

In truth to the Reich.

Horst Mahler

<http://globalfire.tv/nj/04en/persecution/mahler1.htm>

Lectures on the Holocaust

The following matter will give comfort to anyone coming into the Jewish/Zionist/Anglo-American firing line to stand firm and remain strong and resolute - and to see the thing through. The historical pattern is clear, and it is taken from Germar Rudolf's forthcoming book: Lectures on the Holocaust - Fredrick Töben, Adelaide, 19 February 2005):

Z: I cannot imagine that for 50 years Germany's leading citizens, be it in business, publishing, culture or politics, have only been fearful and ignorant, or enemies of the German nation. How can so many people slavishly and blindly follow such nonsense?

R: Let me explain this apparent problem with an historical parallel that was first suggested by Dr Arthur Butz, and which I shall summarize here.

This historical parallel will also indicate how matters will develop for us. I make reference to the so-called **"Donation of Constantine"**. It must be the most successful documentary forgery in European history. Around 800 AD the Catholic Church asserted that King Constantine I, after converting to Christianity, handed over his worldly empire **"the city of Rome, all Italian provinces, towns, as well as the western regions"** as well as **"the four large holy places of Alexandria, Antioch, Jerusalem and Constantinople"** to the Pope, and granted the Pope some further privileges. So as to eliminate any doubt about this matter it stated that Constantine would transfer his own capital city **"in the province of Byzantium, where a city shall emerge that shall be named after us"**, i.e. Constantinople.

Z: But Byzantium - that was Constantinople's first name - had existed long before Constantine was converted.

R: Well noted. This is one of the two main points of evidence that the document is a forgery. The second is that according to all available evidence the imperial society in Italy continued under Constantine and Sylvester, as well as under their successors. Although the forgery was so blatant, the authenticity of it was not questioned until the 15th century, this in spite of the power and the massive misuse of that power by the Catholic Church during the Middle Ages. Only in 1433 there appeared a justified critique of it written by Johann von Kues, alias Cusanua, the former deacon of St Florinus in Koblenz. His work *De concordantia catholica* did not cause consternation, perhaps because it was written in a dispassionate style. This serenity, however, lasted until 1440 when the passionate and detailed work of Lorenzo Valla appeared - *De falso credita et ementita Constantini donatio*. He was the one who for the first time used forensic methods that exposed the forgery by, for example, looking at Roman coins after the Constantine era, which were produced not in the name of the Pope but in the name of the emperor. Valla's critical revisionist method was at that time revolutionary. With the rise of book printing at the end of the 15th century Valla's writings were distributed far and wide, and it formed one of the pillars on which Martin Luther and his supporters based their Reformation. **Martin Luther declared that Valla's work had convinced him that the pope was the embodiment of the Anti-Christ.**

This historical example throws up two questions that also arise in the Holocaust-Lie matter:

1. If the lie was so blatant, why was it not quickly exposed as such?

The answer lies primarily in the power that the church at that time possessed. It decided what was permitted to be discussed, and it also decided what information people received. The actual learned individuals, who could have tackled the topic critically, were also honored members of the church, if not of the church then certainly dependent upon the church. Thus the prerequisites for "politically correct" stupidity had been fulfilled.

2. If a fearless and enquiring intellect can recognize so easily the Donation of Constantine, then why was a detailed work such as Valla's needed, an argumentative over-kill, in order to eliminate the myth?

Valla's work contained intellectual material of such quality that the breakthrough could not be stopped. Collectors of coins gained prominence, specialists of Latin language and grammar felt encouraged to participate in the debate, experts on Roman history felt involved, church historians wanted to add their bit. In summary, voices from all sectors of society began to be heard amidst a massive political upheaval.

The analogy to the "Holocaust" legend is striking:

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Horst Mahler makes it happen in Germany. Legal developments occur only where there are strong individuals who stand firm on their principles of truth and justice, without fear. Horst Mahler is fearless and he shames all those Germans who fear the loss of their livelihood, fear the loss of their life, and fear the fear of FEAR. (Fredrick Töben)

a) Academics of the Middle Ages and the Renaissance, who did not see the obvious, remind us of the academics of our time. In view of **the draconian social and criminal threats against dissidents**, there is hardly anyone who has broken free of the Pavlovian conditioning and is prepared to become a martyr.

b) The legend of the Donation was exposed as a forgery at a time when the Papacy was subjected to strong criticism, when it was fashionable to criticize the Catholic Church. Similarly the "Holocaust" lie will be exposed when those upholding the post-World War II order and Zionism do not need it any more.

c) A further parallel is the excessive attention to detail on Valla's part, much like that of the Revisionists. In both cases one can speak of "overkill". The people of the Renaissance simply didn't realize that the handing over of power from emperor to pope never happened, and **we don't seem to notice that the Jews after World War II are still there, and that alone indicates the "Holocaust" never happened.**

Apparently we have to investigate all possible details, which may appear fanciful to our successors. For example, we are not satisfied that the **Zyklon B allegedly used to kill Jews in Auschwitz was a mere pest control compound**. No, we even have to exhaustively analyze the chemical aspects of this question!

In time we shall see how all this impacts upon the Palestinians, but Revisionists showed the way!
<http://globalfire.tv/nj/05en/history/holofaith.htm>

Honsik Again Before the Inquisition Tribunal

Written By the Editors of The National Journal

http://globalfire.tv/nj/10de/verfolgungen/Honsik_20Juli_Prozess.htm

Translated from the German by J M Damon

20 July 2010 was the date of another trial for Gerd Honsik, from which nothing good could be expected. We remember his scandalous show trial in 2009, whose beginning was scheduled on 20 April. (1) That legal sham ended with an additional five years imprisonment for the patriotic poet and author. (2) What message is the Israeli Cultural Community of Austria sending us with this date of 20 July? [The date of the attempted assassination of Hitler] By choosing this historic date for the beginning of Honsik's latest show trial, Ariel Muzikant apparently wants to emphasize his triumph over the scientists and human rights activists who dare oppose the lies of the Zionist Lobby.

Once again the indictment contrasts strikingly with the norms of justice that would prevail in a nation of laws. The flimsy pretext for Honsik's latest "3g Trial" is two of Honsik's books: WIEZENTHAL, SCHELM UND SCHEUSAL (Wiesenthal Fiend and Felon) and RASSISMUS LEGAL? DER JUDEN DRITTES REICH (Is Racism Legal? The Jewish Third Reich.) "3g Trials" are those staged under Section 3g of the Austrian VERBOTSGESETZ (Prohibition Act) of 1947, which severely represses WIEDERBETÄTIGUNG IM NATIONALSOZIALISTISCHEN SINNE (Revitalization of National Socialist sentiment.) (3)

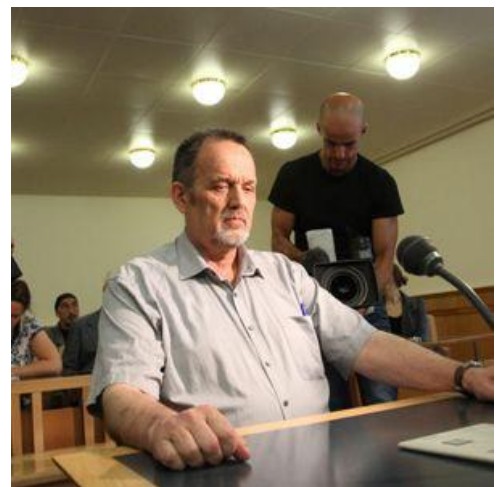
The book on Wiesenthal, based on official sources, irrefutably documents his lies and crimes. In a constitutional nation of laws the book would not be indictable, since it is based on official sources; and the same is true of "Is Racism Legal?" Because of the unassailable documentation of both books, the Establishment chose an indictment based on the "Magic Paragraph" 3g of VERBOTSGESETZ (Prohibition Act) of 1947 as dictated by the victorious enemies of Austria and Germany. A "3g Indictment" deprives indicted persons of the right to defend themselves with evidentiary motions, which is clearly a violation of all international norms of human rights.

Even worse, every attempt at defense in "3g Trials" results in an additional conviction, the same as in the Federal Republic of Germany with "Paragraph 130" Indictments. In Austria, convictions under Section 3g provide for imprisonment of up to 20 years – harsher than for murder! Consider that this draconian punishment is imposed purely for expressions of opinion and reference to undisputed historical facts.

The long and the short of the matter is: when the facts about Jewish crimes and swindles are made public, the truth is punished with life imprisonment and the defendant is prosecuted without the right to prove his or her innocence by means of a defense based on forensic and documentary evidence. In the opinion of international observers of political trials, this Austrian and German exercise in tyranny surpasses even the notorious Stalinist show trials: **"Such provisions would require a declaration of war by the United Nations. I have never seen such debasement of justice,"** said an observer from Norway.

When we consider that both books were already included in the indictment in Honsik's preceding trial (April 2009), it quite takes our breath away. In 2009, Judge Andreas Böhm knew that it would overtax the jurists to put Honsik behind bars for more than five years, since he was not convicted of any substantive crime. Böhm assumed that what little residual conscience and professionalism remained in his jurists would rebel against a punishment of seven to ten years and work against a conviction.

For this reason he instructed District Attorney Stefan Apostol to withhold the incriminating books from the indictment and save them for a subsequent trial with additional sentence: **"In the opinion of the Prosecution, the incriminated works SCHELM UND SCHEUSAL ("Fiend and Felon") and DER JUDEN DRITTES REICH (Third Reich of the Jews) clearly fulfill the elements of a crime as set forth in Section 3g of the**



Gerd Honsik innocent before the Inquisition Tribunal, 20. Juli 2010!

Prohibition Act. They were included in the indictment during the previous trial but were deleted at that time in order to avoid delaying the proceedings."(DIEPRESSE.AT, 9 JULY 2010)

It worked perfectly for Judge Böhm's inquisitorial Court. The jurists imposed "only" a five-year prison sentence on Honsik, who was innocent of any crime. This was after he had already served 18 months for his best-known book FREISPRUCH FÜR HITLER? (Acquittal for Hitler?) With this, Apostol's intention to obtain a stiffer overall verdict on the same charge through a new trial is clearly exposed. In the July 20 trial the books were indicted separately and with new jurists, in order to get extra imprisonment.

We observed an unexpected event in this July 20 trial, however. Since he had nothing more to lose, Honsik launched a frontal attack on the inquisitorial Court. At the beginning of proceedings Honsik remarked: **"It is not I who is the great liar, the modern Münchhausen. It is Simon Wiesenthal. Every knowledgeable person knows that there was not a single homicidal gas chamber on German or Austrian soil. The 65-year-old lie about homicidal gas chambers in Mauthausen and Dachau has come to an end, while you are pleased to suppress evidence of six million murdered Germans and depict me as the great liar."**

The "Holocaust" liar-baron Wiesenthal had the bestially murdered commandant of Mauthausen Camp, Franz Ziereis, hanged naked on the fence and smeared with slogans. In his book KZ MAUTHAUSEN (Linz, 1946), Wiesenthal claims that, as he lay dying, the martyred commandant confessed to him that four million people had been gassed at Mauthausen: **"In my estimation, as I have inspected the files in the cellar, approximately four million persons were gassed (in Hartheim / Mauthausen) with carbon monoxide during a year and a half, including the feeble-minded."**

We note in passing that the American "liberators" shot the unarmed Ziereis three times in the abdomen and allowed him to die very slowly and in great agony. They denied his pleas for a coup de grace, even giving him infusions of his own blood in order to prolong his agony. Only after he had "confessed" that "four million had been gassed" at Mauthausen would they allow him to die. Afterwards his naked body was hung on the camp fence, smeared with slogans and left to decompose, which Simon Wiesenthal proudly related for the rest of his days.



On 4 February 2006 the ÖSTERREICHISCHE NACHRICHTEN reported on page 3: **"By the end of April 1945, more than four thousand persons had been murdered in Mauthausen."** It is important to note the significance of the use of the word "murdered" rather than "gassed." It is clear that our **"Holocaust-Münchhausen"** blithely added 3,996,000 victims to Ziereis' total, and he obviously ignored the alleged mention of carbon monoxide as well.

The fairy tale about "Jew Soap" is another Wiesenthal invention. [The "Soap Lie" was actually resurrected anti German propaganda of the First World War except that in the earlier version, the Germans tossed Belgian babies into boiling soap vats.] All of these absurd propaganda lies are still touted as official truth in Austria, where depraved inquisitors with close ties to the Israeli Cultural Community, such as Stefan Apostol, prosecute scientists, writers and researchers such as Gerd Honsik as major criminals.

Honsik chose an inappropriate comparison when he compared his persecution with that of Nelson Mandela: **"Like Nelson Mandela, I was persecuted for 25 years"** he told the Court. Mandela was, after all, a murderer and saboteur, and not unjustly persecuted like Honsik. On 20 April 1964 Mandela stated before the South African Court that he and fellow conspirators were striving to overthrow the government of South Africa through sabotage and violence, including numerous murders. As Mandela stated from the defendant's dock, nonviolent resistance would have resulted in capitulation of the African National Congress. In contrast to Mandela, Honsik is a man of the Word rather than violence.

As for Honsik's views on the alleged gas chambers, official sources long ago admitted that there were no homicidal gas chambers at Dachau or Mauthausen. Thus, Honsik's explanations were not new to the Court. Such prosecutions despite official admissions would be highly significant in other countries, but not in Austria where the "Freest Conditions in All History" prevail. Here, Allied propaganda lies about mass gassings are still accepted as official truth. At the conclusion of Honsik's trial a year ago, he was sentenced to five years for publicly exposing and denouncing these official lies.

As expected, the mendacious Austrian media all published articles entitled **"Honsik Denies Existence of Gas Chambers in Court."** Honsik of course was not "denying the existence" of all "Gas Chambers," he was specifically pointing out the official lies about "Gas Chambers" at Dachau and Mauthausen. It was long ago officially confirmed that no such facilities existed: **"In response to your inquiry, we wish to inform you that (homicidal) gassings did not take place at Dachau Concentration Camp."** [STADT DACHAU, AZ: 4.2/Ra/Sa, 14.11.1988]

Honsik made a juristic decision to follow the line of former SPIEGEL Editor Fritjof Meyer and concede "Gas Chambers" in "two farmhouses" at the Birkenau compound in Auschwitz. There is no physical evidence that such farmhouses-cum-gas chambers ever existed, as was established in the early 1990s in an expert report prepared by the German air survey company HANSA-Luftbild. Because of judicial acceptance on the "Farmhouse Gas Chamber", Judge Andreas Böhm and District Attorney Stefan Apostol may find it hard to accuse Honsik "denying the existence of all gas chambers"! However, in obedience to their masters, the journalists who serve the

interests of the Zionist lobby then hurled another hate-filled tirade against the patriotic poet, lying: **"Honsik denies the existence of the gas chambers!"**

The simple truth is that there were no "gas chambers" at Dachau and Mauthausen. Therefore Honsik cannot possibly "deny" such fabrications - merely dispute them! [Tr. Note: the German verb LEUGNEN (derived from LÜGEN, "to lie") has a slightly different meaning from English "to deny or dispute." LEUGNEN implies denying something that is known to be true.]

In spite of scientifically proven factual truth and empirical evidence, school classes are still funneled through the complex of lies at Dachau and Mauthausen and children made to believe, through ambiguous explanations, that inmates were "gassed" there. Quite recently the government even began forcing Muslim schoolchildren to undergo this mendacious brainwashing, which traumatizes and poison their souls.

Unfortunately we do not know exactly what Honsik said in the courtroom, since the Lobby-controlled media cannot be trusted. All the Establishment newspapers quoted Honsik as saying **"I deny the openly committed atrocities that were not sanctioned by the State."** (Third Reich). ["ICH LEUGNE DIE IN DER ÖFFENTLICHKEIT VERÜBTEN VERBRECHEN, DIE DURCH DEN STAAT (DAS DRITTE REICH) NICHT GEDECKT WAREN."]

This is obviously another fabrication, it makes no sense whatsoever, since Honsik would never have used the word LEUGNEN: LEUGNEN is derived from the verb LÜGEN, which means "to lie." Honsik is intelligent, knowledgeable and articulate. He would have said "ICH WIDERLEGE" (I dispute ...) rather than "ICH LEUGNE." [It is extremely unlikely that he would not have used the phrases "openly committed atrocities" or "sanctioned by the State."] Once again the Lobby media are deliberately misrepresenting what Gerd Honsik says.

The judge was obviously unable to intimidate this defendant. Judge Böhm was extremely agitated and warned Honsik time and again: **"You are walking on thin ice. However, Honsik ignored the warnings and continued his attacks against Simon Wiesenthal."** (Online newspaper ÖSTERREICH (oe24.at, 20. 07. 2010)

The fact that the increasingly nervous judge hindered both Honsik's attorneys from carrying out their mandate to defend their client gives a good indication of how "democratic" Austrian courtroom procedure is. The judge attempted to outsmart Dr. Schaller and trick him into an answer that would reflect the scientific findings on the alleged "Gas Chambers": **"The Defense Attorney always avoided giving an answer to the judge's repeated question whether he, Dr. Schaller, was himself asserting that there were no gas chambers."** (oe24.at, 20.07.2010)

This gives a good example of the sense of justice of our "Holo-System." It is obvious that the Defense must be able to believe irrefutable facts and the findings of free scientific research. It is equally obvious that he must also be allowed to express his convictions before the Court, just as his client experiences them. If Dr. Schaller had responded with scientifically proven facts, he would have been arrested in the courtroom. Even in view of these conditions, these shameless henchmen blather on about "democracy" and a "nation of laws."

Honsik was able to strike a few blows against the System from which it will not easily recover. He presented 65 evidentiary motions, all official state documents, that contradict the official lies about "gas chambers" at Mauthausen and Dachau. In addition, his evidentiary motions include passages from Wiesenthal's books and other writings that he had used in his book on Wiesenthal as supporting evidence for his revelations. Furthermore, since Honsik "accepted" the so-called "Farmhouse Gas Chambers" of Birkenau, he cannot be charged with additional charges of "Denial" under Paragraph 3g.

If the propaganda lies about Mauthausen and Dachau "Gas Chambers" collapse due to Honsik's evidentiary motions, the 5-year sentence from his 2009 trial will have to be vacated. This is because the sentence was imposed specifically on account of his historically correct, politically incorrect statements concerning these bogus "Gas Chambers." If the sentence were vacated, it would deal a fatal blow to official "Holocaust" lies. And if one wall of "Holocaust" lies collapses, the remaining walls of the entire temple of lies must inevitably collapse as well.

It is very surprising that Judge Böhm did not summarily dismiss Honsik's 65 evidentiary motions, as he did in April 2009. Instead, he adjourned trial proceedings until 9 September, specifically on account of these motions. Of course, Böhm can still reject all of Honsik's evidentiary motions. But how long will the government's "wall of lies" still be able to stand, since the museum administrations of both Mauthausen and Dachau unequivocally support Honsik's contentions?

It cannot stand much longer. Let us hope that these official lies, which are a threat to all mankind, are breathing their last.

The translator is a Germanophilic Germanist who makes noteworthy German articles accessible to those who do not read German.

Our pal Fredrick Toben, recently released from the Zionist Gulag in Australia, says that Gerd Honsik would appreciate a friendly little postcard. His address:

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These other Gulag prisoners would also enjoy a card:

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Wolfgang FRÖLICH - Justizanstalt Wien Josefstadt - Wickenburggasse 18-22 - 1082 WIEN - AUSTRIA

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1) <http://globalfire.tv/nj/09de/verfolgungen/honsik1.htm>

2) His patriotic ballads are posted at <http://www.gerd-honsik.net/>

3) "Fiend and Felon" is posted at <http://radioislam.org/historia/honsik/honsik.htm>
http://globalfire.tv/nj/10en/persecution/honsik_trial.htm

Holocaust memorabilia found on eBay -UK newspaper report

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Nov 2 (Reuters) - [eBay](#) has removed from its listings around 30 items of memorabilia from the Nazi Holocaust, including clothes worn by concentration camp victims, after a newspaper investigation discovered they were on sale on the e-commerce website, Britain's Mail on Sunday said.

The newspaper said its reporters found a range of items on the site over the past week, including what was presented by the vendor as a complete Auschwitz uniform worn by a Polish baker who perished in the Nazi death camp.

The Mail on Sunday said it had alerted [eBay](#) and that the online auctioneer had removed 30 items from sale and offered to make a donation of 25,000 pounds (\$40,000) to a suitable charity.

In a statement, eBay said: "We are very sorry these items have been listed on eBay and we are removing them. We don't allow listings of this nature, and dedicate thousands of staff to policing our site and use the latest technology to detect items that shouldn't be for sale.

"We very much regret that we didn't live up to our own standards. We have made a donation to charity to reflect our concern," said the company, which receives

a commission on items sold and charges vendors a listing fee.

The Mail on Sunday said eBay had been unable to say how long such items may have been for sale on its [website](#).

The paper said the purported Auschwitz uniform had been priced at 11,300 sterling by the vendor, a Ukrainian man based in Canada, who had sold another batch of clothing purporting to be linked to Auschwitz for \$18,000 last year.

The report quoted the vendor, named as Viktor Kempf, as saying he had been criticised in the past for selling such items, but did so to "document" them and to fund history book projects.

"I don't want people to think I'm just doing it for the money. These periods in history are horrific, nobody should ever forget them," Kempf was quoted as saying. Other items found on eBay by the British paper included shoes and a toothbrush said to have belonged to concentration camp victims as well as yellow Star of David armbands used by the Nazis to identify Jews for persecution.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/11/02/eBay-holocaust-idUSL5N0IN0LL20131102>

It's the end of the road for VW campervans:

Safety rule changes in Brazil stop production of 1960s iconic vehicle

By [JOHN STEVENS](#), 23 September 2013 | UPDATED: 08:42 GMT, 24 September 2013

***Brazil the last place in the world still making the motoring icon**

***Volkswagen said production will end on December 31 because of new vehicle safety regulations in the country**

***Rules state every vehicle must have air bags and anti-lock braking systems**

***Commemorative special series with a production run of 600 will be made**

***More than 10 million vans have been produced worldwide since the van was introduced in Germany 63 years ago, 1.5 million of those in Brazil**

It carried hippies through the Sixties before becoming a workhorse across the developing world.

But the long journey of the VW camper van is finally coming to an end.

Brazil is the last place in the world still producing the vehicle known by aficionados as the 'bus', but Volkswagen has said production will end there on December 31.

More than 10million of them have been made since the model was introduced in Germany 63 years ago. In Brazil, 1.5 million have been produced since 1957.

The vans were called the Type 2, because they were the second type to be offered by car maker Volkswagen, the first being the Beetle.

In Britain and the US during the 60s and 70s, partly because it was cheap, the Type 2 became linked with youth culture.

Fans of the machine said its mechanical failures only reinforced its charm and, because its engine was so simple, it was easy to fix, imparting a deeper sense of ownership.

Die-hard British enthusiasts still gather every year for the annual VW Festival near Leeds.

Fans include actor Martin Clunes who owns two campers – a rare black one with a bay windscreen, and a navy and white split-screen model dating from 1977. He said: 'There's something so self-contained about a camper. Driving one is like putting on a comfortable pair of old slippers.'

Formula 1 racing driver Jenson Button has owned two – a red and white model from 1956 and a gold-coloured 1970 Volkswagen Kombi.

Jamie Oliver was less impressed. In 2005, he drove around Europe in a 1959 Samba version of the machine for the Channel 4 television series Jamie's Great Escape.

He said: 'To be honest, it was a complete pain. It was towing a heavy trailer, so perhaps it's not surprising that it broke down several times.'

In poorer regions like Latin American and Africa, the vehicle has continued to be made long after production ended in the UK in 1967.

In Brazil its uses are perhaps not as romantic– it is used by the postal service to haul mail, by the army to transport soldiers, and by funeral directors to carry corpses.

Brazilians also convert their vans into rolling food carts, setting up on street corners for working-class lunchtime crowds.

Production in Germany was halted in 1979 because the van no longer met European safety requirements.

Now safety regulations that come in to force from next year mandating that every vehicle in Brazil must have air bags and anti-lock braking systems will stop production there.

A commemorative special series with a production run of only 600 units will be the last VW camper vans to be made.

VW unveiled a new version of the camper van at the 2011 Geneva Motor show, but it never went into production.

Damon Ristau, director of the documentary film 'The Bus' about van fanatics, said: 'The van represents freedom. It has a magic and charm lacking in other vehicles. It's about the open road, about bringing smiles to peoples' faces when they see an old VW van rolling along.'

THROUGH THE AGES: THE ICONIC VW CAMPERVAN

The original vans were called Type 2, following on from Volkswagen's first offering the Type 1, which is better known nowadays as the Beetle.

VW has produced more than 10 million Volkswagen camper vans globally since the model was introduced 63 years ago in Germany.

In Brazil it's known as the 'Kombi', an abbreviation for the German 'Kombinationsfahrzeug' that loosely translates as 'cargo-passenger van'.

Production in the UK stopped in 1967 but continued in South America, and Brazil is the only country in the world still manufacturing Type 2 campervans.

The van made an appearance on Bob Dylan and Beach Boys record album covers.

Steve Jobs is said to have sold his van in the 1970s to buy a circuit board as he built a computer that helped launch Apple.

The vehicle became a must-have on the California surf scene because its cavernous interior was perfect for carrying boards.

Volkswagen means 'people's car' in German and is currently the third largest carmaker in the world.

The company was founded in 1937 in Germany to provide an affordable new car for the masses.

One firm will fit an engine from a Porsche 911 to a van for £127,000

Vans that cost around £850 in the 1960s can now fetch as much as £13,000



Peace and love:

The camper van became so popular with young people because it was cheap, practical and easy to fix



Novel: Some VW owners use their vans for other uses - such as this pasta van in Brazil



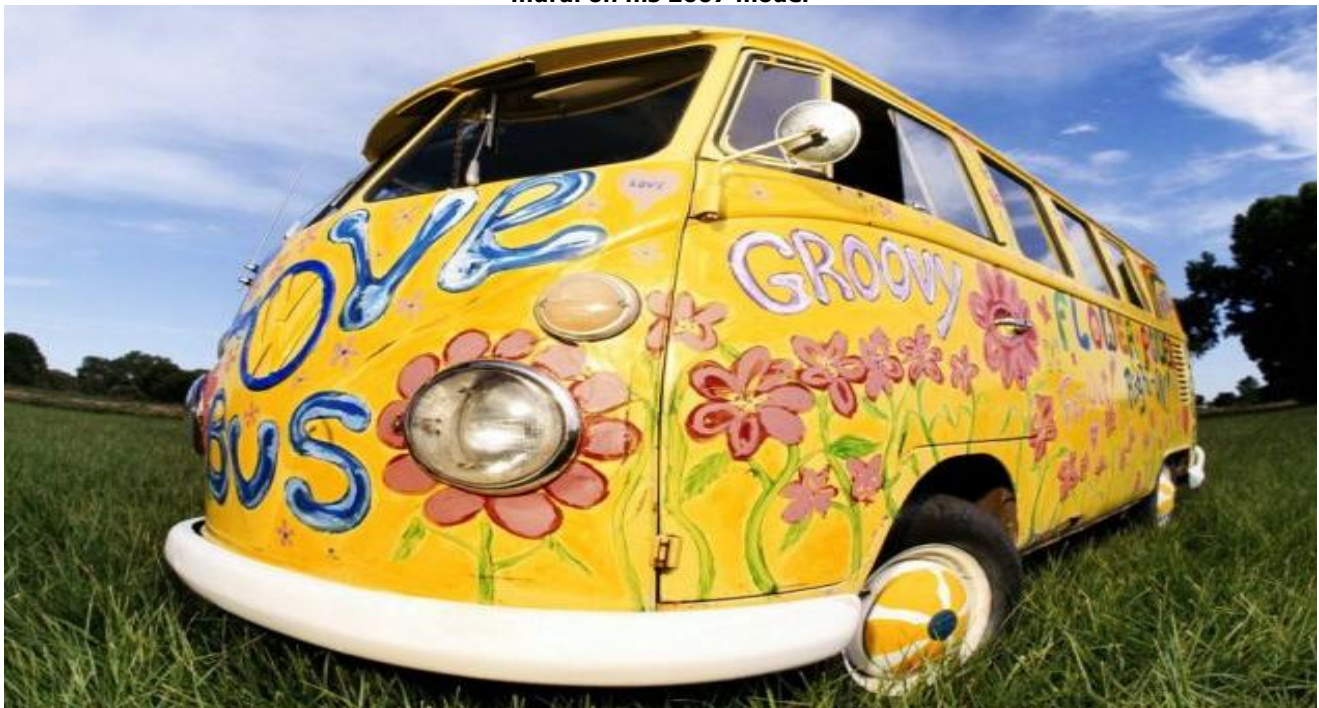
Change: Production of the van, a 1972 model pictured above, will stop in Brazil due to new regulations which state all vehicles produced in the country must have airbags and anti-lock braking systems



Icon: The van, a collection of some from across its 63 years in production above, has somewhat of a cult status with motoring fans



Work of art: Some owners customize their vans, such as Brazilian Marcelo Serpa who hand painted a colourful mural on his 2007 model



Flower power: The van cemented its status as an icon in the sixties, when it was used by hippies to travel around the country



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Beach: Due to their size and practicality, the vans are popular with surfers



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Nuptials: The vans are even sometimes used as wedding carriages, pictured above



Last journey: Production of the iconic VW campervan, a restored model from 1984 pictured above, will stop in December this year because of new health and safety regulations



Many uses: Jorge Hanashiro and his wife Ana sell meat and pastries from their green 1974 van



Fast food: People dine at the Nakombi restaurant in Sao Paulo, Brazil, which features a VW inspired sushi bar
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Kangaroo Court of Australia

FORMER FEDERAL COP MICK KEELTY TO INVESTIGATE STOLEN FEDERAL VOTES.

SO WHERE ARE THE REAL POLICE?

Former Australian Federal Police Commissioner Mick Keelty, who has a long history of gross incompetence and sweeping government corruption under the carpet, has been appointed to investigate the missing 1375 senate votes in Western Australia. But why hasn't it been referred to the state or federal police? Surely that is the first thing they would do once they knew the votes have possibly been stolen. It all sounds very dodgy.

The missing votes looks like being the catalyst for a new Senate election in WA as Clive Palmer has flagged he will appeal to the High Court of Australia.

Background to missing votes

I will keep this brief as most people have a fair idea of the background. Australia had a federal election on the 7th of September 2013. Each state elects its representatives in the lower house and 6 Senators in the upper house. In WA the election was close for the 5th and 6th Senator positions. A recount was called and the vote has now been overturned and two new Senators fill the 5th and 6th places in WA.

One person who lost their senate seat is from the Palmer United Party and their leader Clive Palmer has said they will appeal. It is being reported that the second vote count came down to just a few votes "Senator Ludlam said on Twitter that he believes the margin in the partial recount was just 12 votes." ([Click here to read more](#)) So the stolen 1375 votes could have easily changed the result.

The missing 1375 votes were announced by the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) on Thursday the 31st October and at the same time it was announced that Mick Keelty would investigate.

It raises many questions. How long did they know that the votes were missing? If they had time to organise Mick Keelty to investigate why did they not have time to pick up the phone and call the police.

The SMH reports: "Electoral commissioner Ed Killesteyn apologised for the missing papers, which he said could not be found despite "exhaustive efforts" to locate them." ([Click here to read more](#))

Well Ed, if they cannot be found after "exhaustive efforts" they have probably been stolen and it is time to call the real police, not some former corrupt cop like Keelty.

Why no one wants to touch the theft of the missing votes

It is standard practice in government to cover-up government corruption. This includes the federal police covering up federal government corruption. I have written about this numerous times with two recent posts being "[Australian Federal Police caught concealing international bribery again and again](#)" and "[The Canberra Mafia. How and why the Australian Federal Government conceal corruption.](#)"

In relation to the federal police investigating corruption in the government: "They have a conflict of interest," John McMillan,

the former Commonwealth Ombudsman, says. "They do not want to expose a weakness in their own procedures or have the public questioning the integrity of their process. By and large the interest of an agency is to avoid any publicity questioning ... its efficiency or integrity." ([Click here to read more](#))

At the end of the day the AEC is a government body and they want someone like Keelty who has experience in sweeping the corruption under the carpet in control. So one wonders who appointed Mick Keelty and how was he appointed and on what basis?

Who is Mick Keelty Bribery Scandal

Mr Keelty himself could be in court early next year to answer allegations of covering up the Saddam Hussein / AWB \$300 bribery scandal. In the Federal Court matter VID215/2012 "*Rosario Fusca v The Commonwealth of Australia as represented by Australian Federal Police*" Mr Fudsa, who was the lead AFP investigator into the bribery scandal, is alleging that under Mr Keelty's watch at the AFP he was offered a promotion to sweep the investigation under the carpet. ([Click here to read more](#))

Dr Haneef terrorist false arrest

Then there was the infamous Dr Haneef false arrest stuff-up by Mick Keelty when he was commissioner which cost the taxpayer over \$10 million. ([Click here to read more](#))

Bali Nine

The most disgusting of Mick Keelty's handiwork is the Bali Nine matter where he breached Australian protocol and helped in obtaining the death sentence of Australian citizens in a foreign country. ([Click here to read more](#)) Mick had a guilt trip and later testified for one of the convicted drug smugglers. ([Click here to read more](#))

There is plenty more that could be written about Mick Keelty and his time as commissioner of the federal police, but the point is that he is not competent or honest enough to be

investigating the missing votes. (For my other posts on the federal police [click here](#))

There needs to be a judicial enquiry into the missing votes

The cornerstone of any democracy is that you vote for your government. 1375 votes have gone missing and the reasons need to be totally accounted for. Who, when, where and why about every little detail should be investigated and made public so that the Australian public can have full confidence in the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC).

There is also the fact that if the thieves are not caught they might try vote rigging or stealing again. Branch stacking in both the major parties is quite common so it is plausible that it has been done before or will be in the future.

To just ignore it and have some hatchet job done by some crony like Keelty is not good enough. This is one where Prime Minister Tony Abbott really has to step up to the plate and set up a judicial inquiry to restore the Australian public's confidence. While the stolen votes have received a fair amount of media coverage, it can and will be a massive story over the next 12 months and beyond as there is too much riding on it such as the make-up of the Senate for the next six years.

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Investors should put some Silver, wine, art and Gold into their SWAG bag

JAMES SAFT – 16 AUGUST 2012



As a hedge against inflation and central banks devaluing money by printing more and more, investors are keeping a portion of their wealth in gold and silver

FOR investors looking at a grim decade of money printing and financial repression, it might be time to get some SWAG in your portfolio.

SWAG, as in silver, wine, art and gold, are real assets that might just outperform if official policy causes the money supply to surge.

This is the idea of Joe Roseman, who says SWAG will do very well over what could be a very troubled next decade.

"These assets effectively act as a money supply index tracker," said Roseman, who for 16 years was a money manager and economist at Moore Capital, run by the legendary [Louis Bacon](#). "If the authorities are going to bail themselves out, money supply will expand. Every single time governments have been here, this is exactly what they have done."

Roseman, who now manages his own money, has published a book titled 'Silver, Wine, Art and Gold: Alternative Assets for the Coming Decade'.

His argument, in short, is that a combination of excessive debt, aging populations, resource scarcity

and financial repression will bring on extremely poor performance in equities and bonds.

Equities will suffer, and bonds, the traditional safe haven, will hugely underperform as policymakers engineer inflation and seek to trap assets as sources of government funding.

Rather than death and taxes, then, investors will come to fear money printing and financial repression, which will be used to help inflate away excessive debts and corral funds for hard-hit governments.

Under this scenario, what is sure to go up is the money supply, as central banks print and print, either to fund their governments or to ease the real impact of high debt by stoking inflation.

Roseman's argument is that SWAG assets can act almost like alternative currencies, and, unlike fiat

currencies, cannot have their supply increased at the press of a button.

You can't magic up more gold or 10 new Picassos. They also, by definition, carry no debt, making their risk profile hugely different from most other assets, implying a lack of correlation and added protection.

In addition, SWAG are not denominated in any particular currency, meaning you are not hostage to a particular monetary or fiscal policy, or even to natural disasters or wars. It's worth noting that the range of SWAG-like assets extends beyond the big four, to include in varying degrees things like palladium and stamps.

<http://www.independent.ie/business/world/puzzled-investors-should-put-some-silver-wine-art-and-gold-into-their-swag-bag-26887605.html>

Ex-Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat may have been poisoned with radioactive polonium, tests show

By Middle East correspondent [Matt Brown](#), wires, 7 November 2013



[Yasser Arafat's body was exhumed in 2012 so his remains could be tests amid claims he was murdered.](#) (AFP: Abbas Momani, file photo)

Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat may have died from radiation poisoning, tests carried out by Swiss scientists suggest.

The Al Jazeera television network commissioned the report as part of an investigation into Arafat's death.

The scientists found higher than expected levels of a radioactive element, polonium-210, in his pelvis and a rib.

"New toxicological and radio-toxicological investigations were performed, demonstrating unexpectedly high levels of polonium-210 and lead-210 activity in many of the analysed specimens," said the report by 10 experts at the Vaudois University Hospital Centre.

It added that polonium levels in "bones and soft tissues were up to 20 times larger" than hypothesised, firmly ruling out the possibility previously reported in some media that passive smoking had caused greater than normal polonium levels in Arafat's body.

The scientists say their tests "moderately support" the theory that Arafat was poisoned with polonium.

They also says their tests were limited by a lack of samples and the fact that eight years had passed since his death.

Samples have also been analysed by Russian and French scientists, but their results are yet to be released.

What is polonium?



Polonium was discovered by Marie and Pierre Curie in 1898.

*It is a highly radioactive material rarely found outside military and scientific circles.

*Also known as Radium F, it is a rare but naturally occurring metalloid found in uranium ores that emits highly hazardous alpha, or positively charged, particles.

*The same radioactive substance was used to kill defecting Russian spy Alexander Litvinenko in 2006.

*Small doses of polonium-210 exist in the soil and atmosphere, and even in the human body, but in high doses it is highly toxic if ingested or inhaled.

*It is one of the rarest natural elements: in 10 grams of uranium there is a maximum of a billionth of a gram of polonium.

*The substance loses 50 per cent of its radioactivity every four months.

Arafat's widow, Suha Arafat, says the results from the Swiss lab tests show her husband was the victim of a political assassination. "I don't know who did it, but it's terrible," she said.

Remains exhumed last year

Arafat was besieged by Israeli troops at his headquarters north of Jerusalem when he became seriously ill in late 2004, but Israel has long denied being responsible and Arafat had many enemies.

Some 60 samples were taken from his remains in November last year for a investigation into whether he was poisoned by polonium.

The samples were divided between the Swiss and Russian investigators and a French team carrying out a probe at the request of Arafat's widow.

Arafat fell ill in October 2004, displaying symptoms of acute gastroenteritis with diarrhoea and vomiting. At first Palestinian officials said he was suffering from influenza.

He was flown to Paris but fell into a coma shortly after his arrival at the Percy military hospital where he died on November 11, aged 75.

The official cause of death was a stroke but French doctors said at the time they were unable to determine the origin of his illness.

No autopsy was carried out at the time, at the request of his widow.

His remains were exhumed in November 2012 and samples taken, partly to investigate whether he had been poisoned - a suspicion that grew after [the assassination of Russian ex-spy and Kremlin critic Alexander Litvinenko in 2006](#).

Polonium one of the rarest natural elements

Israel Describes Allegations of Arafat Poisoning as 'More Soap Opera Than Science'

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Israeli Foreign Ministry spokesman Yigal Palmor on Wednesday said Israel played no role in the death of former PLO leader Yassir Arafat, [Reuters reported](#).

"This is more soap opera than science, it is the latest episode in the soap in which Suha opposes Arafat's successors," Palmor said, referring to Arafat's widow and the grab for power that ensued after Arafat's death.

Palmor told Reuters that the investigations into his demise amounted to "a highly superficial attempt to determine a cause of death," noting that Arafat was already 75 years old and not well when he died.

[Earlier](#), Raanan Gissin, a top aide to former Israeli prime minister Ariel Sharon at the time, said the premier had ordered explicitly that no harm be done to Arafat.

"Ariel Sharon insisted that everything be done to ensure that Arafat, who was at the time living inside his besieged Muqataa compound, was not killed by our soldiers," Gissin told AFP.

Arafat fell ill in October 2004, displaying symptoms of acute gastroenteritis with diarrhea and vomiting, Reuters reported.



[Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat surrounded by doctors shortly before his death in 2004.](#) (Hussein Hussein: Reuters)

In an October report, published by The Lancet, eight scientists working at the Institute of Radiation Physics and University Centre of Legal Medicine in Lausanne confirmed they found traces of polonium in separate tests on clothing used by Arafat which they said "support the possibility" he was poisoned.

Polonium is a highly radioactive material rarely found outside military and scientific circles.

Small doses exist in the soil and atmosphere, and even in the human body, but in high doses it is highly toxic if ingested or inhaled, and can damage the body's tissues and organs.

It is one of the rarest natural elements - in 10 grams of uranium ore there is a maximum of a billionth of a gram of polonium.

Polonium-210 is the least rare of its 33 known isotopes.

The substance has been used industrially for its alpha radiation in research and medicine, and as a heating source for space components, but in those forms it is not conducive to easy poisoning.

ABC/AFP - <http://www.abc.net.au/news/2013-11-07/tests-palestinian-yasser-arafat-poisoned-radioactive-polonium/5075086>

Palestinian officials said he was suffering from influenza. He was flown to Paris in a French government plane but fell into a coma and died shortly after his arrival at the Percy military hospital. The official cause of death was a massive stroke, but French doctors said at the time they were unable to determine the origin of his illness. No autopsy was carried out.

On Wednesday, Arafat's widow told Reuters that Swiss forensic tests showed he was poisoned to death with radioactive polonium, which must have been administered by someone "in his close circle" because experts had told her the poison would have been put in his coffee, tea or water.

An investigation by Al Jazeera last year said that traces of polonium-210 were found on personal effects of Arafat given to his widow. Professor David Barclay, a British forensic scientist retained by Al Jazeera to interpret the results of the Swiss tests, said the findings from Arafat's body confirmed last year's results from traces of bodily fluids on his underwear, toothbrush and clothing.

"In my opinion, it is absolutely certain that the cause of his illness was polonium poisoning," Barclay told Reuters. "The levels present in him are sufficient to have caused death."

Al Jazeera said the levels of polonium found in Arafat's ribs, pelvis and in soil that absorbed his remains were at least 18 times higher than normal.

In 2006, two years later, radioactive polonium absorbed in a cup of tea in a London hotel was used to kill defecting Russian spy Alexander Litvinenko.

Barclay said the type of polonium discovered in Arafat's body must have been manufactured in a nuclear reactor. While many countries could have been the source, someone in Arafat's immediate entourage could have slipped a miniscule dose of the deadly isotope probably as a powder into his drink, food, eye drops or toothpaste, he said.

"A tiny amount of polonium the size of a flake of dandruff would be enough to kill 50 people if it was dissolved in water and they drank it," he added.

The Al Jazeera investigation was spearheaded by investigative journalist Clayton Swisher, a former U.S. State Department Diplomatic Protection agent who became friendly with Arafat and was suspicious of the manner of his death, Reuters reported.

<http://www.algemeiner.com/2013/11/07/israel-describes-allegations-of-arafat-poisoning-as-more-soap-opera-than-science/>

More soap opera than science? Surely Yigal Palmor is thinking of the never-ending narratives that make up the HOLOCAUST-SHOAH Soap Opera where scientific analysis is totally missing...



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